

Kids Factory Parent FAQ's

How will my child find the location of the Kids Factory program on campus on the first day or if they are new?

- Depending on the Kids Factory location it differs where we set up, it is either at the lunch tables or the Kinder area. After dismissal, grades 1st – 6th walk to the lunch tables/kinder area. If we do not set up at the kinder area or in close proximity, then either our staff will pick up Kinders from the classroom or school staff will walk Kinders to the lunch tables.

Who should my kinder be looking for if they are being picked up from their classroom?

- Our Staff will either be wearing a Blue or Green Shirt/Sweater that has “Kids Factory” listed on the back, or a Gray Shirt/Sweater that has “Staff” on the back.

Where do I pick-up my child from the Kids Factory Program? Will I be directed by signs on where to pick-up?

- When you go to pick-up, Kids Factory will be at the place where they set up whether that be the lunch tables or Kinder area (Again, each site is different). If the staff and children are not at the lunch tables or Kinder area, then staff will put a sign/whiteboard stating where they are on campus. Kids Factory will either be at where they set up, the playground on campus, or the field on campus.

Will the staff go over Kids Factory rules and expectations, and give the students a schedule?

- Everyday the staff will do something we call “meeting” that takes place after sign-in/table time, where they gather the students to go over rules, expectations, boundaries, and activities.
- Table time coincides with sign-in time and lasts about 15-30 minutes. During table time, the students will have the option to finish their lunch, do homework, read, play board games, color, do crafts, use Chromebooks (For educational purposes, etc.), play with legos/magna-tiles/other manipulatives. Table time may also be done throughout the day if the staff decide to structure the day as such.
- Typical structure of the day is:
 - o Sign-in/Table Time: about 15-30 minutes
 - o Meeting: about 5-8 minutes
 - o Activities/Group Games/Playground time: from when Meeting ends until end time (end times differ at each location, call our office to confirm)
- *The leaders at the site decide which activities and group games that occur after Meeting*

Do I need to notify Kids Factory when my child(ren) will be attending or can I just pick-up my child(ren) right after dismissal?

- Parents do not need to notify us on the days that their child(ren) are not going to attend the program.

Will my child be separated by age or grade?

- We typically do not separate by age or grade. Some sites might separate by upper grades (4,5,6) and lower grades (K,1,2,3), however, this is not usually the case a majority of the sites.
- What our staff do is give the participants the option to decide between activities. One activity will be considered low energy/laid-back (Craft, Table Time, Down by the Banks, etc.) and the other activity will be high energy/more involved (Dodgeball, Handball, Banana Tag, etc.). So, the participants will be able to decide which activity to participate in.

What is the leader to participant ratio for Kids Factory?

- We are considered a recreational program and not an accredited child care program, so we are not required to have a leader to participant ratio. However, we will maintain a safe staff to participant ratio.

Preguntas Frecuentes en Kids Factory

¿Como encontrará mi participante a Kids Factory en el primer día o si son nuevos?

- La ubicación de Kids Factory depende y cambia en cada escuela. Las areas comunes son las mesas de recreo o el Jardin de Kinder. Al termino del día escolar alumnos de grados 1 – 6 deben caminar a las mesas o Jardin de Kinder. Alumnos de Kinder seran recogidos y se les acompañara al area de Kids Factory.

¿A quien debería buscar/esperar un alumno de Kinder para que lo lleven a Kids Factory?

- Nuestros empleados usaran playera/sueter azul o verde que dice “Kids Factory” en la parte de atras, o playera/sueter gris que dice “Staff” en la parte de atras.

¿En donde recojo a mi hijo del programa? ¿Habrá señalamientos a letreros?

- Kids Factory se encontrará ya sea en el area de Kinder o en las mesas de almuerzo (cada escuela es diferente). En caso de que Kids Factory no este en ninguno de estos dos lugares, los empleados dejaran un letrero en donde dirá en donde estan en el campus.

¿Se les explicará a los participantes las reglas y expectativas?

- Todos los días los empleados de Kids Factory hacen una junta con todos los participantes, en donde se mencionan las reglas y planes del día
- La junta empieza usualmente 15 – 30 minutos despues del inicio del programa. Durante estos minutos los participantes tienen la oportunidad de comer, hacer tarea, o usar alguno de los materiales disponibles .
- Un tipico día en Kids Factory:
 - o Entrada/Tiempo libre: 15-30 minutos
 - o Junta: 5-8 minutos
 - o Actividades despues de la junta hasta la conclusion del programa

¿Debo notificar a Kids Factory los días que mi participante asista el programa?

- No. Padres de familia y/o tutores no deberan informarnos los días en que los participantes asistiran o no.

¿Los participantes seran separados por año y/o edad?

- Usualmente no separamos por año ni edad. Sin embargo algunas escuelas optan por separar al grupo en dos, (grados K, 1, 2, 3 y grados 4, 5, 6).
- Siempre se intenta dar opciones en cuanto a las actividades a los participantes. Se trata de tener una actividad tranquila y una que implique más energía para así ofrecer distintas oportunidades de entretenimiento.

¿Cual es el radio de lider/empleado a participante?

- Ya que somos un programa recreacional, no somos obligados a tener un radio de participante y empleado. Sin embargo si consideramos la cantidad de participantes para la cantidad de empleados.